

REMARKS

The foregoing amendments and the following remarks are responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed March 24, 2005. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application.

In the response filed on October 22, 2004, Applicant failed to indicate that claim 1 was amended, although the proper amendment markings were provided. Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits this Response to Non-Compliant amendment, correcting the mistake in the prior response.

In the prior Amendment, the claim status is as follows. Claims 1-25 remain in the application. Claims 1, 15, 17, and 25 have been amended. Claim 19 was cancelled. New claim 26 was added. Therefore, claims 1-18 and 20-26 are presented for examination.

The Examiner requests an explanation of why newly added claims are patentable over the art. Claim 26 has been newly added. The substance of the claim is supported by the Specification, and it adds no new matter.

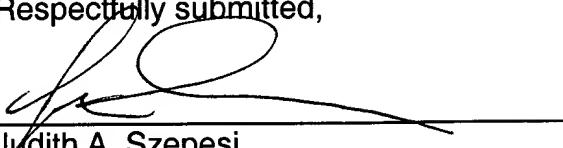
Claim 26 depends on claim 25, and incorporates its limitations. Therefore, for the same reasons provided in the prior response with respect to claim 25, claim 26 is patentable over the prior art.

If the Examiner finds any remaining impediment to the prompt allowance of these claims that could be clarified with a telephone conference, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Judith A. Szepesi at (408) 720-8300.

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Respectfully submitted,

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